

HOUSE No. 247

By Ms. Candaras of Wilbraham, petition of Gale D. Candaras relative to requiring the Teachers' Retirement Board to grant certain retirement benefits to said Virginia L. English, surviving spouse of Walter English. Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TEACHERS RETIREMENT BOARD TO GRANT CERTAIN RETIREMENT BENEFITS.

1 *Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to
2 defeat its purpose, which is forthwith to make certain retirement
3 benefits available, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emer-
4 gency law necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
5 convenience.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Notwithstanding any general or special law or rule to the con-
2 trary and in order to promote the public good, the teachers retire-
3 ment board shall pay Virginia English the surviving spouse of
4 Walter English, a former member of the teacher's retirement system,
5 retirement benefits, as of January 1, 1999, equal to the benefits
6 she would have been paid to her if she had been named the bene-
7 ficiary of Walter English under option (c) of subdivision (2) of
8 section 12 of chapter 32 of the General Laws.